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formed by the Club has steadily increased during the year, and now fills four large cases, one of them a handsome plate-glass case designed as a model for the cases needed for the display of the general ornithological collection in the new building. As soon as these can be procured, the entire collection of birds can be immediately transferred to its allotted position on the third floor of the new building, as the work of renovation is now practically completed.

At the annual meeting of the Section, held December 21, 1896, the old board of officers was reelected, as follows:—

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| <i>Director,</i> | Spencer Trotter, M. D. |
| <i>Vice-Director,</i> | Geo. S. Morris. |
| <i>Recorder,</i> | Stewardson Brown. |
| <i>Secretary,</i> | Wm. A. Shyrock. |
| <i>Treasurer and Conservator,</i> | Witmer Stone. |

Respectfully submitted,

WITMER STONE,
Conservator.

REPORT OF THE ANTHROPOLOGICAL SECTION.

The Anthropological Section has been fully organized during the present year by the adoption of By-Laws and the election of officers in accordance with the requirements of the By-Laws of the Academy. It has, at present, a membership of thirty-four, and during the year has held eight monthly sessions. The principal communications received have been from Dr. D. G. Brinton on "The Relations of Race and Culture to the Degeneration of the Reproductive Organs in Woman," and on "Hybridization;" Dr. Harrison Allen on "The Prenasal Fossa;" Prof. F. C. Kavanagh on "Right Handedness;" Prof. Lightner Witmer on "Psycho-Physical Measurements;" Dr. M. V. Ball on "Tattooing;" Dr. Chas. K. Mills on "Nerves of the Sense of Taste," and by Stewart Culin on "Divinatory Diagrams." In addition, minor communications were on various subjects.

The officers of the section are as follows:—

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| <i>Director,</i> | Harrison Allen, M. D. |
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| <i>Vice-Director,</i> | Dr. Newlin Peirce. |
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| <i>Treasurer and Corresponding Secretary,</i> | M. V. Ball, M. D. |
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| <i>Recorder and Conservator,</i> | Chas. Morris. |
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CHARLES MORRIS,
Recorder.